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Examining Group 2114

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: US Patent Application 10/009,444  
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**Amendment After Final Action**

Dear Examiner Contino:

This Amendment After Final Action responds to the final Office Action mailed 07/13/2005.

A complete set of claims currently in this application, with status indicators, is attached hereto.

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